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PATENT APPLICATION
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Chris O'Rourke et al.
Serial No.: 09/781,522
Filed: February 8, 2001
Group No.: 2141
Examiner: Kristie D. Shingles
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Confirmation No.: 2665
Title: METHOD ALLOCATION SCHEME FOR MAINTAINING
SERVER LOAD BALANCERS SERVICES IN A HIGH
THROUGHPUT ENVIRONMENT

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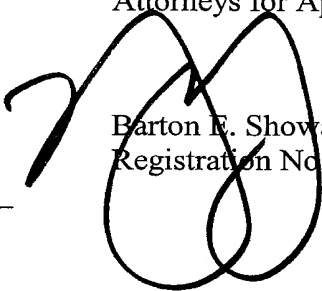
Dear Sir:

RESPONSE TO REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Applicants appreciate the Examiner's allowance of Claims 1-20. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.104, Applicants respectfully issue a statement commenting on the Examiner's reasons for allowance. Applicants respectfully disagree with the Examiner's reasons for allowance to the extent that they are inconsistent with applicable case law, statutes, and regulations. Furthermore, Applicants do not admit to any characterization or limitation of the claims or to any characterization of a reference by the Examiner, particularly any that are inconsistent with the language of the claims considered in their entirety and including all of their constituent limitations.

Respectfully submitted,
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